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Elliot R. Ramberg	Art Unit: 1634
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir:

The above-identified applicant respectfully requests a two-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Office Action dated May 16, 2002, to expire August 16, 2002. A check in the amount of \$200 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee for a two-month extension.

Please charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 11-0855. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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